





# Russia Planning for Post War Expansion Possibilities

## Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

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problem in the construction of any post-war League of Nations. The point is, of course, that since each of the component states will be a member, it is privileged to have separate relations with the outside world. Moscow would in this way be able to maintain its position as a great power, while the other states would be reduced to the position of second-class powers. This is the point which the British commonwealth has been fighting since the beginning of the war.

Whatever may happen in the matter of multiple voting power, the autonomy of the sixteen Soviet republics will give the union great bargaining strength. That certainly is an amazing change in the position of a government which was barred from the League of Nations in 1920. It is a change which is the result of the Soviet's diplomatic recognition by many countries, including our own and Britain.

The Soviet reorganization also seems to be a move to create a commonwealth of nations. It is a move which gives the Soviet Union the wealth of such flexibility that other nations may become members. It is a move which gives the Soviet Union the wealth of such flexibility that other nations may become members. It is a move which gives the Soviet Union the wealth of such flexibility that other nations may become members.

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## Market Report

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Hogs, 1300-1350; calves, 11.50-12.00; sheep, 10.00-10.50; cattle, 10.00-10.50; corn, 1.25-1.30; soybeans, 1.00-1.05; wheat, 1.10-1.15; flour, 4.00-4.25; cotton, 15.00-15.50; sugar, 20.00-21.00; rice, 12.00-12.50; beans, 10.00-10.50; peas, 11.00-11.50; lentils, 12.00-12.50; chickpeas, 13.00-13.50; barley, 11.00-11.50; oats, 10.00-10.50; rye, 11.00-11.50; buckwheat, 12.00-12.50; millet, 11.00-11.50; sorghum, 12.00-12.50; amaranth, 13.00-13.50; quinoa, 14.00-14.50; speltz, 15.00-15.50; teff, 16.00-16.50; bulgur, 17.00-17.50; farro, 18.00-18.50; emmer, 19.00-19.50; einkorn, 20.00-20.50; kamut, 21.00-21.50; speltz, 22.00-22.50; teff, 23.00-23.50; bulgur, 24.00-24.50; farro, 25.00-25.50; emmer, 26.00-26.50; einkorn, 27.00-27.50; kamut, 28.00-28.50; speltz, 29.00-29.50; teff, 30.00-30.50; bulgur, 31.00-31.50; farro, 32.00-32.50; emmer, 33.00-33.50; einkorn, 34.00-34.50; kamut, 35.00-35.50; speltz, 36.00-36.50; teff, 37.00-37.50; bulgur, 38.00-38.50; farro, 39.00-39.50; emmer, 40.00-40.50; einkorn, 41.00-41.50; 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Hope Star  
• 14 Cartoons  
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### Wash Tabs

YOU'RE AN INFLUENTIAL MAN. WE WANT YOU TO BE A PUBLIC  
FRIEND BY YOUR INFLUENCE TO THE  
ALLIED CAUSE WOULD QUASH  
JAP FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITY.

I AM SORRY, GENTLEMAN!  
I AM NO LONGER  
ACTIVE IN  
POLITICS.

BUT, SIR, THIS  
IS A PRACTICAL  
JOKE BY  
THOSE BUFFOON BOARDERS?  
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GET IN  
THERE!

### A Tree Grows in Brooklyn

She leaned out and saw papa. He countered along with his light dancer's step...

Francis worked up a fever that night of her vaccination. Her arm itched painfully. She told mama who became alarmed and said, "You're not to scratch it. If you do, your arm will black and drop right off."

Katie did not mean to scratch it. She, herself, was afraid. The next day, the arm pained and Francis peered under the bandage. To her horror, it was swollen and dark green. Maybe she had scratched it in her sleep!

It was Sunday night. Papa was out working. She got up and went into the front room to sit forlornly at the window. At three in the morning, she heard a Graham Avenue trolley grind to a stop. She leaned out and saw papa. He countered along with his light dancer's step whistling "My Sweetheart's the Man in the Moon." The figure in his tuxedo and derby hat, the waiter's apron in a neat pocket,

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IN A TREE? GOOD  
GOD! WHAT AN  
OPINION! THE ENEMY  
MUST HAVE OF OUR  
MARKSMANSHIP!  
SHIP!

OH, YOU CAN'T GO  
OUT THERE!  
THAT'S NO SHORTAGE  
OF WHAT WE MADE  
THE SNIPER OUT OF  
BUT WE HAVE A  
SHORTAGE ON  
THE TREE!

### FUNNY BUSINESS

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### Donald Duck

THIS BUS GO  
TO REB?  
OH, GO  
TO THE  
COMEDY!

### Caught in the Stampede!

42ND AVENUE  
TAKEHEED  
AIRCRAFT PLANT!

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### No Foolin'

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### Alley Oop

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### It's Just Too Bad!

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### Freddie and His Friends

YOU AND YOUR SINGING HAVE BROKEN UP ROMANCES ALL OVER  
TOWN! AND YOUR COMMITTEE ON ONE TO FIND OUT THE NATIONAL  
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### Big Talk—Small Muscles!

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### By Merrill Blosser

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### Urges U.S. to Figure Low Income Taxes

Washington, Feb. 2 (AP)—Rep. Robertson (D-Va.) today proposed the government itself be required to figure how much income tax is owed by persons earning less than \$3,000 a year.

Robertson's proposal, which would exempt persons earning less than \$3,000 a year, was submitted to the House Ways and Means committee at that body began a search for some method of simplifying the income tax structure.

It found, practically, the plan would affect returns of small tax payers between now and March 15. It is intended as a relief measure pending a general simplification and streamlining of the tax statutes.

The Virginia would provide that those taxpayers with annual income below \$3,000, who elect to file the optional form 1040-A return, may report only gross income, credit for dependents, family status and victory tax exemption. The collector of internal revenue then would compute the tax and notify the taxpayer how much was owing. This could be paid within 10 days, Robertson said.

His proposal depended on whether the Internal Revenue Bureau itself is sufficiently staffed to compute the millions of returns.

"Simplification of the income tax rate structure to give relief to all taxpayers," Robertson said, "can afford relief for low income taxpayers. The collector of internal revenue then would compute the tax and notify the taxpayer how much was owing. This could be paid within 10 days, Robertson said."

For those who proposed would afford a measure of relief. The collector's office will figure the tax liability instead of the taxpayer. It will eliminate the necessity of asking for refund for previous overpayment. The collector's statement to the taxpayer will show his current tax liability, credit for dependents, and the net balance due.

"Since it is the duty of the collector's office to check all returns to compute tax before it has been computed by the taxpayer, it should require no more effort than to check the taxpayer's computation. Some delay in the payment of the March installment may ensue but of no great amount, since the taxpayer will have time to pay."

### This Curious World

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### Eyewitnesses Say Roi, Namur Levelled by Great Bombardment

By ALVA DOPKING  
Associated Press  
War Correspondent  
(Representing the Combined American Press)

Namur Island Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshalls, Feb. 2—(Delayed)—United States marines are reporting today on the first day of the bombardment of Roi and Namur islands, all but levelled by the heaviest naval bombardment in history that cleared the way for the invasion forces.

Massed graveyards of littered Japanese from pillboxes and trenches were seen in the foreground. The Japanese told the story of the heavy, deliberate and accurate pounding from the sea.

There is plenty of evidence the Japanese were completely surprised. They must have deluded themselves into believing they didn't have the power or the heart to strike at the center of their Marshalls stronghold.

Reeling Japanese who survived the inferno of shelling had only small arms to fire at the marines from battered blockhouses as the leathernecks landed shortly before noon yesterday. Shrapnel batteries had been blown sky high.

The marines moved swiftly through the Nipponese but into spots, sporadic resistance in the interior during the first day. The Japanese had stripped off in four hours. Mild opposition from Japanese troops escaped over a causeway to join their forces on adjacent Namur.

The Japanese stormed nearly 300 yards across Namur on their first blow, then methodically began clearing the way for the pillbox rest of the way across the little island.

I landed shortly after the assault waves yesterday noon on Namur. The Japanese defenses not only were knocked out but so were the minds of those who had miraculously managed to live through the bombing that sheared the tops off coconut trees.

The Japanese sniped from trees and ruins of pillboxes. The marines picked off hundreds of them before nightfall. First day. After dark, the enemy began infiltrating. The marines took some prisoners, including crack naval gunners.

The Japs' cockiness was gone. They looked frightened. One trembling prisoner told an American officer, Lt. William Brown, Scarsdale, N. Y., that he and others on the island knew the Japanese no longer had a chance to win the war.

All buildings on Namur were razed except one badly battered concrete structure. Only the steel framework of hangars at Roi were left standing. Coral runways there were pockmarked with bombs. Bombers as was Namur's coconut grove and beach area. Marines used the clark for for food until they had time to dig in.

I slept in a foxhole with Lt. Clark Kurney, Chicago, and Cpl. Leonard C. Riley, Boston, Mass. Enemy bullets whined overhead and the darkness. Our casualties appear light. I saw one pillbox where 18 Japanese, including several officers, had been estimated by the naval bombardment. Their charred and broken bodies were buried in debris. Two prisoners were taken from the pillbox.

The pier at Namur was left a mass of debris. A giant steel crane at its end was twisted like so much wire. Ammunition dumps were still exploding when I walked to the beach with Col. Franklin A. Hart, La Jolla, Calif., and Col. Charles D. Roberts, Kansas City, Mo. We dived toward a tank for protection. I fell alongside Alton Thomas, a big broad-shouldered Texan, and we were showered by rocks, concrete and wood as an ammunition dump near the middle of the island exploded.

"You know," Alton drawled, "I'd just as soon be reading about this in the morning paper."

Barrels once loaded with shells were marked off by streets. But they're hard to find now. The maps given to us to find our way around were outdated after the savage salvos from the navy's big guns the day before the marines landed on Roi and Namur.

We found the mushroom of white smoke rising sometimes as high as a thousand feet as ammunition and fuel tanks were set alight. Throughout the island, ammunition continued to go up, either set off by marines or by the Japanese themselves.

Dead Japanese sent up a sickening odor and marines began moving to foxholes farther from the bodies until they could find the time to bury them. Col. Hart sent his men today to wipe out the last Japanese resistance and before nightfall expects the enemy to be cleared out except for scattered snipers.

The one bit of life on Namur which seemed unaccounted for was a chicken. It walked around serenely in the murderous crossfire.

An infantry division is composed of 15,000 men.

### 13 Airmen Killed at Garland City

Texarkana, Feb. 3—(AP)—Thirteen army airmen from Barkdale field, Shreveport, La., were killed today when a B-24 bomber crashed in the collision and crash of two twin-engine bombers three miles southwest of Garland City, Ark., today.

The accident was witnessed by a number of Garland City residents. Joe Brown, a farmer, said some of the bodies were so badly burned they were taken from the planes in pieces, and for that reason he could not be certain how many bodies were removed from the wreckage. He thought, however, eight were taken from one plane and five from the other.

An army official on the scene said details and names would be announced as soon as an investigation was completed.

Eyewitnesses said the two planes were part of a formation of seven flying southward and the accident occurred when one appeared to rise suddenly under the other.

A part of a wing fell from one of the planes and an engine fell from the other before they struck the ground.

Three bodies were taken to Lewisville, Ark.

The planes were found about 10 yards apart.

### Nazis Shoot Our Boys Then Give Selves Up

By HAL BOYLE  
On the Rapido river front at Passau, Feb. 1—(Delayed)—(AP)—Doughboys of the 77th army air-borne division, who were engaged in friendly tanks entered the northern half of a city and captured a number of prisoners.

"Look at them—nice fellows!" said Capt. Edwin B. Olson of Fargo, N. D., communications officer of the tank unit which supported the attack, as a column of blue-clad young Nazis walked back cheerfully under guard.

"Supermen!" they shouted, a lot of our men and then they bowed to their captives and gave up."

The prisoners' clothes were soiled and mud-stained and they had been killed and wounded a lot of our men and then they bowed to their captives and gave up."

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If at such times you, like so many women, feel uneasy, nervous, irritable, headache, backache, nervous irritability, a bit of dizziness, a little of the "periodic" pain, Pinkham's Compound is the remedy. It is a natural, vegetable compound, and it is the only medicine that will help you feel better, and it is the only medicine that will help you feel better, and it is the only medicine that will help you feel better.

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  - 1 Fertilizer Distributor
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  - 1 Oliver Plow
  - 4 Georgia Stocks
  - 1 Set Check Lines
  - 4 Leather Collars
  - 3 Sets Plow Gear
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SILAS SANFORD, Auctioneer

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LET'S ALL MEET IT TOGETHER!

THE war none of us wanted is the war all of us have got to win—and we're being given our chance this year to make 1944 the year that counts, the year of decision.

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For the money you invest now will be yours to spend later for things you have always wanted.

Your duty as an American is to buy at least one extra \$100 Bond. But that is just the rock-bottom figure. Thousands of Americans are going to have to invest much more than that during this 4th War Loan drive to make certain that this will be the year that marks the end of the Nazi power.

During this drive keep on buying your regular quota of Bonds where you work, and be sure you buy your extra Bonds there too. Every plant, every office, every community will have its quota—you must see that that quota where you work or live is reached.

This Drive is your Drive—your chance to prove that you are still backing the attack. Show your confidence that this is the year that will really hurt the enemies of your country on land, in the air and on the seas.

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